

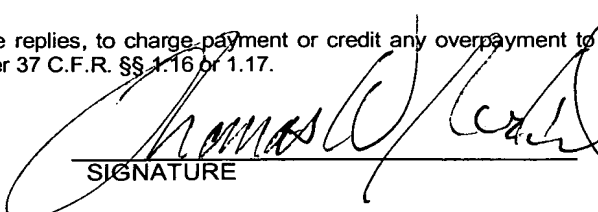
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		Attorney Docket No. 2503-1149 U.S. Application No. 107534868
INTERNATIONAL APPLN. NO. PCT/EP/2003/012376	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE November 6, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED November 14, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION: A PROCESS FOR THE MONONITRATION OF ALKANEDIOLS		
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
- ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
 - ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau. See attached PCT/IB/308.
 - ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
 - ☐ is attached hereto.
 - ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
 - ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - ☐ have not been made, however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
- ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
- ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4))
- ☐ A Declaration of Inventorship for purposes of U.S.A. designation pursuant to rule 4.17(iv).))
- ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) w/PTO-1449 - ☐ Copy of IDS citations.
- ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)).
- ☒ A preliminary amendment.
- ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76.
- ☒ Itemized Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ A substitute specification.
- ☐ Power of Attorney and Statement under 37 CFR §3.73(b)
 - ☐ Newly executed Power of Attorney
 - ☐ A change of Power of Attorney and/or change of address letter.
- ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
- ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application (35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
- ☒ Other items or information: **International Request Form PCT/RO/101, International Search Report Form PCT/ISA/210, Notification of the Recording of a Change Form PCT/IB/306, International Preliminary Examination Report Form PCT/IPEA/409 and Abstract**

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Basic National Stage Fee				\$150.00	
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<input type="checkbox"/> US was the IPEA And all claims satisfied the provisions of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4)		National Stage Examination Fee		\$100.00	
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